

SENATE RESOLUTION 85  
By Harper

A RESOLUTION to honor Jim Pierce on the occasion of his retirement.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this legislative body should recognize those citizens who in their years of work have performed with extraordinary dedication and unprecedented devotion; and

WHEREAS, Jim Pierce of Nashville is one such outstanding person, who has served with alacrity and acuity for 33 years with United Parcel Service; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Pierce began his meritorious career with UPS in Landover, Maryland in 1965; Mr. Pierce began as a part-time hub sorter, but his potential was soon realized and he quickly advanced through the ranks; and

WHEREAS, in 1968, Mr. Pierce became a hub and feed supervisor, then was promoted to hub manager in 1974; in 1980 this exemplary leader was then transferred to the Virginia District, where he was promoted once again, this time to the position of hub division manager; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Pierce gave unreservedly of his time and talents as a hub division manager, often taking on special assignments as an instructor for HBTS and the People Workshop; Mr. Pierce received yet another promotion in 1985, becoming the Southwest region hub and feed manager in Dallas; and

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WHEREAS, Mr. Pierce was then promoted to the position of district manager in southern Illinois and, in 1992, he accepted the call to serve as Tennessee's district manager; and

WHEREAS, during Mr. Pierce's outstanding tenure in Tennessee, he has been responsible for all UPS operations from Paris east to Bristol; his duties have included the supervision of more than 5,500 UPS employees in Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, in his years with this dynamic organization, Mr. Pierce has seen UPS grow from a regional transportation company to a worldwide transportation and logistics organization, which provides service in more than 180 countries and territories; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Pierce and other notable leaders within the organization have contributed greatly to UPS's amazing growth and may take credit for the many milestones this world-class organization has achieved; and

WHEREAS, throughout his years of service, Mr. Pierce has exemplified the spirit and dedication that is characteristic of a great Tennessean, and on the occasion of his retirement, it is appropriate that we recognize and honor him; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE-HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, That we extend to Jim Pierce our best wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement and continued success in future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.